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Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation Department of Natural Resources Office of Conservation P. O. Box 94275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE:

13-A Sand, Reservoir C, SUA

13-B Sand, Reservoir E, SUA

GRAND BAY FIELD

Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the 13-A Sand, Reservoir C, SUA and the 13-B Sand, Reservoir E, SUA in the **GRAND BAY FIELD**, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the 13-A Sand, Reservoir C, SUA and the 13-B Sand, Reservoir E, SUA, in the Grand Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.
- 2. To create a single drilling and production unit for these sands and to force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created.
 - 3. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the units so created.
- 4. To provide that any wells drilled outside of the 13-A Sand, Reservoir C, SUA and the 13-B Sand, Reservoir E, SUA, shall be in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.

The 13-B Sand, Reservoir E, in the Grand Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 8128' to 8206' (electrical log measurements) in the Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. - GPLD No. A-16 (ST) Well, located in Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 19 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

In addition to furnishing the legal notice to all Interested Parties, the applicant will provide for <u>POSTING</u> of the legal notice of the hearing and unit plats in a prominent place in the area of the Grand Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, and will cause the legal notice of the hearing to be <u>PUBLISHED</u> in a newspaper of general circulation published in the vicinity of the Grand Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing date.

Any pertinent data relating to the subject application can be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY**, from Cambe Geological Services, 1500 Gray St., Houston, Texas 77002, (713)659-8364.

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure, a preapplication notice was given, but no request for a conference was received, and therefore, none was held.

There are attached hereto and made a part hereof plats outlining the proposed units and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties and proposed unit plats (being the same plats attached to the April 29, 2003 preapplication notice) are being furnished ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, said plats and the list of parties will be provided to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, there is enclosed our check on behalf of the applicant, Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc., in the sum of \$1510.00 payable to the Office of Conservation and representing the required hearing application fee.

Sincerely,



